

CENTRAL CROPS RESEARCH STATION

STATION INFORMATION

Location

City: Clayton
County: Johnston

Station Statistics

Staff: 21

Management Units:

Livestock – Swine 300 Head
Field Crops – with emphasis on plant breeding
Horticultural Crops

Research Program

Project Leaders (#): 40
Ongoing Projects (#): 140
Focus: Tobacco, Corn, Soybeans, Swine, Melons, Peaches,
Apples, Grapes, Sweet Potatoes, Squash, Strawberries,
Cotton, Small Grains and Canola

Acres:

Station Total	488.23 ac
Field Crops	197.13 ac
Small Fruits	4.60 ac
Fruit Trees	18.00 ac
Vegetables	8.00 ac
Ornamentals	4.40 ac
Rotational	17.00 ac
Irrigation Ponds	21.30 ac
Woodlands	86.00 ac
Infrastructure	161.00 ac
Lease Land	29.20 ac
# Buildings	40

Station Highlights:

- Corn – over 100 inbred corn lines released
- Soybean varieties released – Pickett (first soybean variety with resistance to soybean cyst nematodes), Ransom, Young, Vance, Nitrasoy and Satellite (a heart smart soybean with half the saturated fat).
- Tobacco varieties released – over 14 varieties including NC-12, NC-13, NC-55, and NC-71
- Muscadine grape varieties released – Noble, Carolos, Doren, Regal, Dixie, Sterling, and Nesbitt.
- Tomato varieties released – Venus and Saturn for fresh market, Wolfpack I and II for processing
- Sweet Potato variety released - Covington
- Swine –world record Hampshire boar, “Last Laugh”, gained 3.2 pounds per day
- Watermelon variety released – Sweet Princess

Stations Improvements:

- Burley tobacco curing barn
- Facilities for housing soybean breeding program equipment